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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
6 DISTRICT OF NEVADA
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8 JENNIFER KWASNIEWSKI, et al.,)

9 Plaintiffs,)

10 vs.)

11 SANOFI-AVENTIS U.S. LLC, et al.,)

12 Defendants.)

Case No. 2:12-cv-00515-GMN-CWH

ORDER

13 Presently before the court is Plaintiff Jennifer Kwasniewski's Motion to Stay or in the
14 Alternative, Motion to Extend Scheduling Order Dates (ECF No. 215), filed on July 10, 2017.
15 Defendant Sanofi-Aventis U.S. LLC filed a response (ECF No. 221) on July 24, 2017. Plaintiff
16 filed a reply (ECF No. 222) on July 24, 2017.

17 Plaintiff seeks a stay of all proceedings, citing impending discovery deadlines and the lack
18 of any response from Defendant. Plaintiff argues that she should not be compelled to engage in
19 expert discovery or forgo the opportunity to amend her pleadings until after Defendant files an
20 answer, so a stay is necessary. Plaintiff requests a extension of discovery deadlines in the
21 alternative. Defendant does not take a position on the motion, but indicates it is willing to consider
22 an extension of discovery.

23 District courts have broad discretion to control their own dockets. *M.M. v. Lafayette School*
24 *Dist.*, 681 F.3d 1082, 1091 (9th Cir. 2012). In considering whether to stay proceedings, the court
25 must weigh competing interests such as possible damages that may result, the hardship or inequity
26 which may be suffered if the parties are required to move forward, and the orderly course of justice.
27 *CMAX, Inc. v. Hall*, 300 F.2d 265, 268 (9th Cir. 1962). Here, Plaintiff has not shown good cause
28 for a stay at this time, citing only the approaching discovery deadlines in support of her request. It
is not clear why an indefinite stay of all deadlines and proceedings would be necessary when the

1 only object of such a stay would be to avoid expiration of certain discovery deadlines. The Court
2 will deny Plaintiff's motion, but will entertain a further motion or stipulation to extend discovery.

3 IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion to Stay or in the Alternative,
4 Motion to Extend Scheduling Order Dates (ECF No. 215) is DENIED without prejudice.

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6 DATED: July 31, 2017

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10 **C.W. Hoffman, Jr.**
11 **United States Magistrate Judge**
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